

ESCO Meeting Minutes
March 12th, 2019
Eastside Elementary Multipurpose Room

Attendees

Board Members: Karen Sommers (President), Linda Pergola (Vice-President), Heather Miller (Treasurer), Michelle Culley (Secretary)

Craig Coulthart, Principal
Bryn Horton, School Board Representative

Parents: Joanna Paykel, Tara Weaver, Prue Lotharius, Jen Savagian, Andrew Savagian, Gretta Borchardt, Judith Parish, Daryl Miller

6:31 Call To Order

Vice President, Linda Pergola, called the meeting to order.
Welcome and introductions

Craig Coulthart – Principals Report

- **Black History Mobile Museum**
 - Was set up in the MPR Tuesday, March 12th, Kids had great questions!
- **Snow day make ups**
 - 8 minutes added at the end of every day started on March 4th; school will now be in session on March 29th, June 11th will be a full day and June 12th ½ day.
Conferences were held this evening (March 12th) and the evening of March 28th as well

Heather Miller – Treasurer Report

- **\$225 donation given to ESCO from a parent with the employer matching**
- **\$100 donation at Game Night**
- **We have made \$947.90 so far with Box tops**
- **We distributed \$9825.59 for teacher grants**
- **Eastside Eats Out**
 - **\$272 from Day One**
- **Gamewright Game Night: \$301.50**

Michelle Culley- Calendar Review

- **Bingo Night this Friday! March 15th**
- **Teacher Appreciation Week May 6-10th**
- **Celebrate Eastside is May 17th**

Linda Pergola – Box Tops Update

- We will continue to collect Box Tops even though we won't have another payout date until October 1st. Keep up the great work collecting and turning them in!

Nomination Forms

- Linda gave a brief description of the two board positions up for reelection – 2 year term (summer 2019-spring 2021)
 - Secretary and President are open for elections
- Elections will be held during April 9th ESCO meeting
- Nomination forms are available to fill out and must be turned in by March 29th

Voting on November and December minutes

- Minutes were distributed for review
- Heather motioned that we vote and approve the minutes, Michelle seconded. Minutes were voted and approved

Volunteer Drawing (Michelle Culley)

- Congrats to Joanna Paykel, who won this month's volunteer prize! Thank you for helping bring food to the teacher meal on March 12th

New Business

- Craig mentioned the 4th and 5th graders doing their Music Accents performance during Celebrate Eastside. Michelle will get in touch with Cait Schmidt regarding setting this up.

Bryn Horton - Upcoming Referendum Report

- Bryn provided a powerpoint presentation on our upcoming referendum to be voted on April 2nd
- The overview:
 - Turn Cardinal Heights Upper Middle School into a 6th-8th grade middle school, Patrick Marsh and Prairie View will also be 6th-8th
 - Build a 2nd high school on the West side of Sun Prairie
 - Replace aging Prairie Phoenix Academy, combining those students in the Cardinal Heights building
 - Updating Ashley Field in place of the old PPA building
- Additional Comments:
 - Our projected enrollment is 4,492 students by the 2020-2021 school year
 - We are currently the largest high school in the state, and currently over target capacity
 - You can use the tax impact calculator at www.sunprairieschools.org/ref2019
 - If the referendum passes, the 2nd high school and 3 middle schools would begin in Fall of 2021.
 - There will be an Open House on Wednesday, March 13th

- Some questions were asked by the parents and Bryn answered. Some concerns included: walking traffic to Cardinal Heights bringing possible trespassing into residential yards. Why Prairie Phoenix Academy wants to be a part of the middle school instead of high school (because the Principal preferred to be a part of Cardinal Heights building and there are already tech rooms available), some concern about the groups who are against the referendum being reached and met with to understand everything (Brad Saron, superintendent, is meeting with these various groups)
- **Meeting Adjourned**
 - 7:22 p.m., by Vice President Linda Pergola